

Missing boy in Tuen Mun located

A boy who went missing in Tuen Mun was located.

Sze Wa-yan, aged 15, went missing after he left his residence at Siu Lam Tsuen on July 4 afternoon. His family made a report to Police on the same day.

The boy turned up at Tai Po Police Station to cancel the missing person report today (July 25) afternoon. He sustained no injuries and no suspicious circumstances were detected.

Man arrested for suspected illegal sale of unregistered pharmaceutical product (with photo)

The Department of Health (DH) and the Police today (July 25) conducted a joint operation, during which a 62-year-old man was arrested for suspected illegal sale of an unregistered pharmaceutical product and Part 1 poison.

Acting upon intelligence, the DH purchased a sample of a topical product named Xingfuhuli Plant Essential Oil at a retail stall in Ap Lei Chau for analysis. Test results from the Government Laboratory revealed that the sample contained diclofenac, which is a Part 1 poison controlled under the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap 138).

Diclofenac is a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug which can be used topically to relieve pain. It should be supplied at pharmacies under the supervision of a registered pharmacist. Inappropriate use of diclofenac may cause erythema and dermatitis. Pharmaceutical products should be used under the advice of healthcare professionals.

The DH's investigation is continuing.

According to the Ordinance, all pharmaceutical products must be registered with the Pharmacy and Poisons Board of Hong Kong before they can be legally sold in the market. Illegal sale or possession of unregistered pharmaceutical products and Part 1 poisons are criminal offences. The maximum penalty for each offence is a fine of \$100,000 and two years' imprisonment.

All registered pharmaceutical products carry a Hong Kong registration number on the package in the format HK-XXXXX. The safety, quality and efficacy of unregistered pharmaceutical products are not guaranteed.

A spokesman for the DH urged members of the public not to buy or use products of doubtful composition or from unknown sources. People who have purchased the above product should stop using it and consult healthcare professionals if they are in doubt or feeling unwell after use. They can submit the product to the DH's Drug Office at Room 1856, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, during office hours for disposal.



[CHP investigates suspected food poisoning outbreak](#)

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health is today (July 25) investigating a suspected outbreak of food poisoning affecting 18 persons, and reminded the public to maintain personal, food and environmental hygiene to prevent food-borne diseases.

The suspected outbreak of food poisoning affected six males and 12 females aged 6 to 60, who developed abdominal pain, nausea, diarrhoea and vomiting about six to 20 hours after consuming food bought from a food premises in Kwun Tong at a premises in San Po Kong on July 23.

Two of them sought medical attention and one required hospitalisation. All affected persons are in stable condition.

"We have alerted the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department to the incident and investigations are ongoing," a spokesman for the CHP said.

To prevent food-borne diseases, members of the public are reminded to

maintain personal, food and environmental hygiene at all times. When dining out:

- Patronise only reliable and licensed restaurants;
- Avoid eating raw seafood;
- Be a discerning consumer in choosing cold dishes, including sashimi, sushi and raw oysters, at a buffet;
- Ensure food is thoroughly cooked before eating during a hot pot or barbecue meal;
- Handle raw and cooked foods carefully and separate them completely during the cooking process;
- Use two sets of chopsticks and utensils to handle raw and cooked food;
- Do not patronise illegal food hawkers;
- Drink boiled water;
- Do not try to use salt, vinegar, wine and wasabi to kill bacteria as they are not effective; and
- Always wash hands before eating and after going to the toilet.

[HA Building Committee Members visit Yuk Wo Court HOS project \(with photos\)](#)

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Housing Authority:

Members of the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA) Building Committee today (July 25) inspected the Yuk Wo Court Home Ownership Scheme (HOS) project to learn more about the development.

Yuk Wo Court is located at Au Pui Wan Street, Sha Tin. It is one of the six new HOS developments for sale in 2019, of which the application was closed on June 12, 2019. Balloting is to be held in August 2019.

With a total site area of about 6 440 square metres, Yuk Wo Court comprises one 47-storey non-standard domestic block providing a total of 830 flats, with a saleable area of about 27.3 sq m to 43.0 sq m and a price range of about \$1.73 million to \$3.36 million.

Members were briefed on the smooth progress of the project. The superstructure of the building has been completed, while around 60 per cent of architectural finishes have been completed. The Estimated Material Date is October 2020.

Members were also briefed on the design challenges due to nearby roads

and industrial buildings. The project team had to tackle the issues of view, noise and ventilation. Hence, acoustic fins are provided in some of the flats facing Au Pui Wan Street. The orientation of these flats is also adjusted to not face directly opposite industrial buildings and warehouses for better performance in noise mitigation. After the adjustment, a non-rectangular space, which could be used as a store room, is part of these flats.

In addition, acoustic windows or acoustic balconies are adopted in some of the flats facing Fo Tan Road and Au Pui Wan Street for better performance in noise mitigation.

Despite the relatively small size of the development, recreational facilities will be provided for the residents. There will be a landscaped garden, a communal sky garden and a children's play area.

Yuk Wo Court is conveniently located within several minutes walking distance from Fo Tan MTR Station. There are also 38 private car parking spaces for residents, three private car parking spaces for visitors, eight motor-cycle parking spaces and 83 bicycle parking spaces within the development.

During the visit, committee members were also briefed on the site safety measures in a highly constrained site.

With its safety performance, the project has won a Merit Award, Building Sites (Public Sector) category in the Construction Industry Safety Award Scheme 2018/2019, and a Joyful@Healthy Workplace Best Practices Award 2019 by the Occupational Safety and Health Council.





Remarks by Chief Executive (designate) of HKMA at media session

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

Following are the remarks by the Chief Executive (designate) of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA), Mr Eddie Yue, at media session today (July 25):

I am very honoured to be appointed by the Financial Secretary as the next Chief Executive of the HKMA with effect from October. I would like to thank the Financial Secretary for the trust he has placed in me.

I would also like to thank Norman for his guidance and encouragement over the years.

To me, the appointment carries a special meaning. I have been with the HKMA since its establishment in 1993. In a sense, I grew up here. Together with my colleagues at the HKMA, we have been through many testing times. These valuable experiences will guide me through the challenges that lie ahead.

We now face tremendous complexities and uncertain financial markets. To meet these challenges, I know I can count on the highly professional and efficient team at the HKMA, and the robust systems that we have put in place over the years.

My colleagues and I will continue to uphold our principles of professionalism. We will strive to maintain Hong Kong's monetary and banking stability, and to manage the Exchange Fund prudently. We will work to further enhance the competitiveness of our financial sector and to strengthen Hong Kong's status as an international financial centre. I will do my best to serve the people of Hong Kong.

In the next two months or so, I will work closely with Norman to ensure a smooth transition in October.

(Please also refer to the Chinese portion of the transcript.)